

## **ABSTRACT**

A combined oil ring 4 is comprised of an oil ring 5 having upper and lower rails 7 and 8, and an expander 6 for applying contact pressure radially outwards on the oil ring 5. The outer circumferential surface 11 of the upper rail 7 of the oil ring 5 is comprised of a flat surface 11a with an axial width of 0.05 to 0.3 millimeters, a curved surface 11b joining to the upper end of the flat surface 11a and to the upper surface 12 of the upper rail 7, and a curved surface 11c joining to the lower end of the flat surface 11a and to the lower surface 13 of the upper rail 7. The lower rail 8 is formed in the same way.